

***U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Superfund Fact Sheet******October 2001*****NORTHWEST PIPE AND CASING
Clackamas, Oregon****Phase I of the Soil Cleanup will be Completed in****November**

The soil cleanup at this site is on schedule and will be finished in November 2001. As of October 3, 2001, most of the 15,000 cubic yards of contaminated soil and debris has been excavated. As the excavation work moved forward, EPA's contractors found pipes, tanks and drums buried on site. These materials are also being removed. The contaminated soil is being transported by trucks to either a thermal treatment facility or permitted landfill, depending on the level of contamination. Treated soil will be brought back on site to fill the excavated area.

The cost of this phase of the soil cleanup is approximately \$3.1 million and will reduce the potential for direct human contact with hazardous materials.

Work at the site is being managed to ensure that air-borne contaminants are below the levels EPA considers a health risk. Site workers are watering dry soil during the dry weather, and they are doing boundary cleanup work when the wind direction shifts to minimize dust from traveling off the site.

Groundwater Cleanup Method is Selected

The final remedy selected for groundwater cleanup consists of installing in-ground air-stripping wells in the most highly contaminated areas of groundwater to remove the volatile organic chemicals (VOCs). Institutional controls, such as deed restrictions, will also be used to limit public contact with site groundwater until cleanup goals are met. This cleanup will restore and maintain the use of the upper aquifer as a potential source of drinking water. EPA published its final selection in a Record of Decision (ROD) on September 27, 2001, after considering public comments. A notice of availability for the ROD will be issued after the document is in the information repositories.

What's Next?

Phase II of the cleanup will include placing a two-foot cap of clean soil over the entire site. This is expected to occur in the next few years when funds become available.

Site Background

The NW Pipe and Casing/Hall Process Company Superfund site is a 53 acre site in Clackamas, Oregon. Soil and groundwater are contaminated as a result of past waste handling practices from former pipe manufacturing and coating facilities. The primary contaminants in the soil include polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), both of which are carcinogens. Chlorinated volatile organic compounds (VOCs) are the principal contaminant in groundwater beneath the plant. These contaminants are linked to spent solvents, primers, coal tar and its residues, coating product containers, and oils.

For More Information

The Record of Decision and other supporting documents are available for your review at the following locations.

Clackamas County Library
11750 SE 82nd Avenue, Suite D
Clackamas, OR
(503) 652-2640
(Northeast corner of the Clackamas Town Center Mall parking lot)

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Portland, OR 97204
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1200 Sixth Avenue, 7th Floor
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